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Mr. Kenneth Mazurek
Plant Manager
W.H. Salisbury & Company
401 N. Morgan
Chicago, Illinois 60622

Re: Screening Site Inspection (SSI) Report
Illinois Smelting and Refining Company
ILD 982 074 718

Dear Mr. Mazurek:

Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), commonly known as Superfund, every discovered potential hazardous waste site is subject to an assessment process to determine if the site warrants further Superfund investigation. The site assessment process begins with the review of readily available information. The information collected during this initial investigation is used to determine if an actual or potential health or environmental risk exists, or if no further action is necessary. Waste and environmental samples may be collected to examine and document the potential impact to specific environmental pathways and target populations.

Please find enclosed the SSI recently completed for Illinois Smelting and Refining Company. At this time a "No Further Remedial Action Planned" (NFRAP) designation has been assigned to the site. A NFRAP decision does not mean there is no hazard associated with a given property; it means only that based on available information at the time of the evaluation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) decided not to take further action under CERCLA. If information becomes available indicating the NFRAP decision should be reconsidered, the NFRAP site can be put back onto the CERCLIS list and further assessment done on the site.

In spite of the U.S. EPA's site disposition decision there may still be a need for you to further assess and clean up the site. A voluntary clean-up plan can be developed with the assistance of environmental consultants and your State. A State contact can assist you in developing the plan to ensure that the assessment and clean-up strategies address Federal, State and local regulations. Working closely with your state voluntary program staff could significantly reduce the potential for later Federal government involvement. To learn about your State voluntary clean-up program, please contact Thomas Crause, Illinois



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Environmental Protection Agency, 2200 Churchill Road,
Springfield, Illinois, (217) 782-6760.

I hope that this information will address any of your concerns.
If you have any additional questions, please contact
Sonia Vega, of the U.S. EPA, at (312) 886-7191.

Sincerely yours,

William D. Messenger, Chief
Site Assessment Section

Enclosure

cc: S. Vega, SAS
T. Crause, IEPA